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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S MEETING WITH VICE PREMIER WU
XUEQIAN, JULY 15, 1988

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1. JULY 15, 1988, 11:50 A.M.-2:00 P.M., FANGSHAN
RESTAURANT, BEIHAI PARK, BEIJING, PRC.

3. SUMMARY: VICE PREMIER WU EXPLAINED THAT HIS
CURRENT RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE SUPERVISION OF THE
FOREIGN MINISTRY AND DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM. WU SAID
BEIJING EXPECTS 300-400,000 VISITORS TO THE MAINLAND
FROM TAIWAN THIS YEAR. HE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION
WITH THIS INCREASED CONTACT ACROSS THE STRAITS, WHICH
BEIJING WOULD ALLOW TO DEVELOP SLOWLY AND SURELY. WU
ALSO SPOKE POSITIVELY OF THE GREAT INCREASE IN SOUTH
KOREAN TOURISTS VISITING CHINA.

4. THE SECRETARY IN HIS REMARKS HIGHLIGHTED THE
SENSE OF FRIENDSHIP AND CONTINUITY IN THE
RELATIONSHIP. THE SECRETARY CITED THE LONG TRADITION
OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN AMERICA AND CHINA AND
EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE IN THE CONTINUITY
OF U.S. POLICY TOWARD CHINA, WHICH ENJOYS BROAD
BIPARTISAN SUPPORT. END SUMMARY.

5. VICE PREMIER WU'S LUNCHEON FOR THE SECRETARY
BEGAN WITH A TWENTY-MINUTE MEETING IN A ROOM SEPARATE
FROM THE BANQUET HALL. THE SECRETARY BEGAN BY
CONGRATULATING WU ON HIS PROMOTION FROM FOREIGN
MINISTER TO VICE PREMIER. HE ASKED WU HOW HIS NEW
POSITION RELATED TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. WU REPLIED
THAT HE WAS IN CHARGE OF THE FOREIGN MINISTRY BUT
FOREIGN MINISTER QIAN HANDLED DAY-TO-DAY DIPLOMATIC
AFFAIRS. WU SAID HE HAD ACQUIRED AN ADDITIONAL
RESPONSIBILITY--TO DEVELOP TOURISM. THE SECRETARY
OBSERVED THAT CHINA OFFERED A GREAT DEAL FOR PEOPLE

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TO SEE AND DO. WU SAID WHILE THAT WAS TRUE, CHINA WAS FAR FROM EUROPE AND THE U.S. THERE WOULD BE MILLIONS OF VISITORS THIS YEAR, INCLUDING MORE FROM TAIWAN THAN EXPECTED.

6. THE SECRETARY RECALLED THAT IN SHANGHAI LAST YEAR HE HAD STATED THAT THE U.S. TOOK A POSITIVE VIEW OF THE INCREASED INTERACTION ACROSS THE TAIWAN STRAITS. WU SAID ALTHOUGH POSTAL, SEA AND AIR LINKS STILL DO NOT EXIST WITH TAIWAN, FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES, GREATER CONTACT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED. THIS YEAR, THEY EXPECTED 300-400,000 VISITORS FROM TAIWAN. THE SECRETARY ASKED IF TAIWAN HAS INVITED VISITORS FROM THE MAINLAND. WU REPLIED THAT THE AUTHORITIES ON TAIWAN HAVE AGREED TO SOME FAMILY VISITS BY PEOPLE FROM THE MAINLAND, BUT THAT ISSUE IS STILL NOT REALLY ON TAIWAN'S AGENDA. FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF BEIJING, THE CONTACT WITH TAIWAN COULD DEVELOP SLOWLY AND SURELY. THE SECRETARY COMMENTED THAT THE CHINESE VIEW OF HISTORY HAS A LONG PERSPECTIVE TO IT.

7. WU AGREED THAT AMERICANS WERE MORE IMPATIENT THAN CHINESE. HE OBSERVED THAT RUSSIANS ALSO SEEMED TO BE IMPATIENT. AT THE SOVIET PARTY CONFERENCE, GORBACHEV SEEMED TO BE IN CONTROL BUT ALSO IN A HURRY. THE SECRETARY SAID THAT WAS NO DOUBT TRUE. GORBACHEV ALSO HAS A LOT TO DO.

8. WU ENDED THE INFORMAL MEETING BY EXPRESSING REGRET THAT THE SECRETARY'S VISIT TO BEIJING WAS SO SHORT AND INVITING THE SECRETARY AND MRS. SHULTZ TO RETURN FOR A LONGER VISIT.

9. AFTER THE PARTY MOVED TO THE BANQUET HALL, VICE PREMIER WU AND THE SECRETARY OFFERED WARM AND PERSONAL TOASTS PUNCTUATED WITH HUMOR. THE VICE PREMIER'S POINTS WERE PRIMARILY RETROSPECTIVE, NOTING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS WHICH HE AND THE SECRETARY HAD ACHIEVED TOGETHER IN THEIR LARGELY OVERLAPPING SIX YEARS IN OFFICE. BY CONSISTENTLY APPROACHING THEIR NEARLY ANNUAL DISCUSSIONS FROM A LONG-TERM PERSPECTIVE, THEY HAD SUCCEEDED IN "BRINGING ABOUT THE STEADY DEVELOPMENT OF U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS." THE VICE PREMIER NOTED THAT THE PROBLEMS THAT HAD OCCURRED IN THE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP WERE NATURAL AND THAT, DESPITE THESE, THE RELATIONSHIP HAD DEVELOPED SMOOTHLY, FOR WHICH HE EXPRESSED HIS PERSONAL SATISFACTION AND THAT OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT.

10. VICE PREMIER WU STATED THAT THIS SUCCESS WAS

INSEPARABLE FROM THE SECRETARY'S OWN EFFORTS AND UNDERScoreD TWO POINTS. FIRST, THAT HE WAS "DEEPLY STRUCK" BY THE FACT THAT WHEN BIG DIFFERENCES EMERGED BETWEEN THE U.S. AND CHINA, THE SECRETARY HAD ALWAYS LISTENED WITH PATIENCE WHEN CHINA EXPLAINED ITS POSITION. SECOND WAS HIS GRATITUDE THAT THE SECRETARY HAD ALWAYS ATTACHED GREAT IMPORTANCE TO U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS. HE WISHED TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THAT AS THE SECRETARY PREPARED TO LEAVE OFFICE.

11. ON THE LIGHTER SIDE, THE VICE PREMIER REMINISCED ABOUT THE SECRETARY'S FIRST VISIT TO BEIJING IN 1983, AND HOW THE SECRETARY HAD FOUND "A LITTLE BIT OF CALIFORNIA" DURING THAT VISIT, AT THE JIANGUO HOTEL WHERE HE DINED WITH U.S. BUSINESSMEN. WU NOTED THAT THE DISHES BEING SERVED AT THE LUNCHEON HE WAS HOSTING, WHICH WERE PREPARED AND SERVED ACCORDING TO OLD IMPERIAL RECIPES, DID NOT COMPARE WITH THE SECRETARY'S STEAKS. WU'S FONDEST RECOLLECTION FROM HIS LAST TRIP TO THE U.S. WAS OF THE BARBECUE IN WASHINGTON EARLIER THIS YEAR AT WHICH THE SECRETARY PERSONALLY "ROLLED UP HIS SLEEVES" TO INTRODUCE HIM TO BEEF STEAKS.

12. VICE PREMIER WU CLOSED BY ASSURING THE SECRETARY THAT HE PERSONALLY AND THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT WOULD CONTINUE THEIR EFFORTS TO FURTHER DEVELOP U.S.-CHINA RELATIONS AND ATTAIN EVEN GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS. HE TOASTED THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THEMSELVES, THE TWO GOVERNMENTS, AND THE TWO PEOPLES.

13. THE SECRETARY RESPONDED BY EMPHASIZING TWO THEMES: FRIENDSHIP AND CONTINUITY. HE NOTED THAT BETWEEN HIM AND THE VICE PREMIER, AS WELL AS BETWEEN LARGE NUMBERS OF CHINESE AND AMERICANS, WERE FRIENDSHIP, MUTUAL RESPECT, A DESIRE TO LEARN FROM EACH OTHER, AND AN ABILITY TO GET ALONG WITH EACH OTHER. THAT FRIENDSHIP GENERATES THE CONFIDENCE THAT, IF PROBLEMS ARISE, "I KNOW THAT'S MY FRIEND, I'LL FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED AND WE CAN WORK IT OUT, AND WE CAN HAVE SOME FUN AS WE GO ALONG." FRIENDSHIP ALSO MEANS THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE FUN BARBECUING STEAKS.

14. NOTING THE LONG FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE AMERICAN AND CHINESE PEOPLES, THE SECRETARY POINTED OUT THAT LEADERSHIP IS CHANGING IN BOTH OUR COUNTRIES. THE SECRETARY WENT ON TO ASSURE THE VICE PREMIER THAT REGARDLESS OF THE OUTCOME OF THE ELECTION PROCESS, THERE WOULD BE CONTINUITY IN RELATIONS AND IN U.S. ATTITUDES TOWARD CHINA. HIS CONFIDENCE WAS BASED

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ON THE BROAD BILATERAL SUPPORT IN CONGRESS AND IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH FOR U.S. POLICY TOWARD CHINA. THE SECRETARY CLOSED BY TOASTING FRIENDSHIP AND THE CONTINUITY OF THE CONSTRUCTIVE U.S.-CHINA RELATIONSHIP.

15. DURING THE CONVERSATION AT THE SECRETARY'S TABLE, WU OBSERVED THAT JAPAN NOW RANKS NUMBER ONE IN TOURISTS VISITING CHINA, WITH THE U.S. IN SECOND PLACE. WU NOTED THAT THE NUMBER OF TOURISTS FROM SOUTH KOREA IS GROWING RAPIDLY, AND HE WOULD NOT BE SURPRISED TO SEE SOUTH KOREANS SOON RANK FIRST AMONG FOREIGN TOURISTS IN CHINA. WU COMMENTED THAT THIS KOREAN TOURISM IS DEVELOPING THROUGH NON-GOVERNMENTAL CHANNELS, BUT IT WAS WELCOMED BY CHINA.

16. U.S. PARTICIPANTS: SECRETARY SHULTZ, MRS. SHULTZ, AMBASSADOR LORD, MRS. LORD, UNDER SECRETARY WALLIS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY SIGUR, ASSISTANT SECRETARY REDMAN, DIRECTOR SOLOMON, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ROY, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHLOSSBERG, DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY (DEFENSE) JACKSON, NSC REPRESENTATIVE PAAL, DCM TOMSEN, MRS. TOMSEN, POLCOUNSELOR BURGHARDT, POLMILOFF CEURVORST AND SCIOFF PERROLLE (NOTETAKERS), AND INTERPRETER JIM BROWN.

17. CHINESE PARTICIPANTS: VICE PREMIER WU XUEQIAN, BI LING (WIFE OF WU); VICE FOREIGN MINISTER ZHU QIZHEN; WANG YUDE, WIFE OF ZHU QIZHEN; AMBASSADOR HAN XU, GE YIYUN, WIFE OF HAN; ASSISTANT MINISTER LIU HUAQIU; DIRECTOR OF PROTOCOL WU MINGLIAN; DEPUTY DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF AFFAIRS OF THE AMERICAS AND OCEANIAN (AAO) ZHA PEIXIN; DIVISION CHIEF (AAO) MA ZHENGANG; DEPUTY DIVISION CHIEF (AAO) LIAN ZHENGBAO; MR. XIE (AAO); DEPUTY DIVISION CHIEF OF PROTOCOL ZHANG ZHENXIONG; PROTOCOL OFFICER YANG HEXIONG; SECURITY OFFICER DONG LAIYU; PHOTOGRAPHER NIE YING; INTERPRETERS YANG JIECHI, ZHU HONGYING, AND LIU YADONG.

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